4553. Adulteration of desiccated eggs. U. S. \* \* \* v. 2 Half-Barrels of Desiccated Eggs. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 6809. I. S. Nos. 17554-k, 17555-k. S. No. W-59.)

On August 9, 1915, the United States attorney for the Northern District of California, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 2 half-barrels of desiccated eggs, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at San Francisco, Cal., alleging that the article had been shipped and transported from the State of Texas into the State of California, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted, in whole or in part, of a filthy, decomposed animal substance.

On October 13, 1915, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

CARL VROOMAN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.